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ALTERNATE MEAL

An alternate meal will be served tonight in Players Theatre.

AUDITIONS GALORE

Auditions for Wartburg Players' "Veronica's Room," directed by Dan Hanson, will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in Players Theatre. The show dates are May 16-17. Please prepare a two-minute monologue. If you have questions, contact Hanson at 7305 or daniel.hanson.

LIVE CONCERT

Come see singer/songwriter/guitarist Jason Levasseur perform live outside the Konditorei Thursday at 8 p.m. Wartburg's Emily Carson will open the show. This event is sponsored by Entertainment ToKnight.

TROPICAL KNIGHT

Entertainment ToKnight will again sponsor Knight Elegance. "Tropical Knight," the theme, will be Saturday at 8:30 p.m. in Players Theatre. Tickets are $2 per person or $3 per couple and may be purchased in the caf line or ETK office (lower level Founders).

AWARDS CEREMONY

The 2003 Student Leadership and Service Awards Ceremony will be Saturday at 3 p.m. in the chapel. Attend and help support peers and organizations that are making a difference both on and off campus.

QUICK FACTS

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

March 31, 1889, the Eiffel Tower is dedicated in Paris. The tower was the world's tallest structure until the Chrysler Building was erected in New York in 1930.

April 2, 1513, Spanish explorer Ponce de Leon lands on the Florida coast. He explored Florida in his quest for the "fountain of youth."

Habitat for Humanity

First home to be built in Waverly

By TINA HINZ
Staff Writer

Wartburg College Habitat for Humanity, with the Greater Black Hawk Habitat for Humanity, will break ground Saturday on the first-ever Waverly Habitat house.

"This is a first for Waverly, which is always exciting to be part of and involved in," said Dr. Lex Smith, dean of students and co-chair of the Waverly Build Steering Committee. "Students feel a strong sense of pride and ownership."

Students can meet outside the PEC at 12:45 p.m. to walk as a group to the service. The dedication ceremony will be at 1 p.m. at the future site of the home in the Rieger Addition, 416 17th St. N.W., Lot #6. The Rev. Jim Carpenter will direct the half-hour program. Anyone present will be invited to break ground.

A family for the house has not yet been selected. Qualifications require that candidates have a certain level of financial need but an ability to pay back the interest-free mortgage. Families must be willing to volunteer 300 labor hours to the Habitat program.

On-site construction will begin April 12 with pouring cement for the basement level and foundation. Community member and Wartburg retiree John Kurtt is the head of construction.

The Greater Black Hawk Habitat for Humanity board approved the plan for this house last November. Waverly's city council agreed to sell the lot for the Habitat house for $3,000, while other lots in that area are being sold for $18,000. A 15-member steering committee meets monthly to discuss planning.

Wartburg's Habitat raised $1,500 to purchase the lot, which the college matched to meet the total. The 1,200 square-foot house will be constructed by volunteers and funded by donations. It's estimated that the house will cost $50 per square foot, so the total of the house should be around $60,000.

Waverly building codes require licensed and skilled professionals to do such jobs as electrical and plumbing work. It will be built to meet stipulations made by the city council and qualify for Waverly Light and Power's "good sense program."

Jessica Pfeiffer/TRUMPET

LAYING THE FOUNDATION—Freshman Matt Fox loads one of the walls for the Habitat home Sunday.

"A number of area contractors have made in-kind donations of material and/or labor. Habitat International has people who donate windows, appliances, etc.," Smith said.

Waverly community members and more than 30 Wartburg students have been working weekly since the beginning of January to build the walls and framing of the house in the campus maintenance building. This is in preparation for a "raise the roof" day, which is scheduled for May. The Waverly Lion's Club volunteered to build a garage.

"We're building the walls and framing during the winter to give our student Habitat chapter the chance to be involved early in the process because they won't be around in the summer," Smith said.

A typical Habitat house takes six to eight months to build. This house is scheduled to be completed in November, but the group hopes to be done as early as September.

Wartburg's Habitat for Humanity group recently received Wartburg's Outstanding Student Organization award. The group hosts various activities on campus. Habifest will be April 9, a nationwide student awareness day when colleges across the country help raise awareness about the need for affordable housing. On that day, students interested in helping build the Waverly house can sign up outside the caf.

"It's been incredible so far to watch how willing Wartburg students are to give their time to serve others," said junior Kelly Dotson, Wartburg's Habitat for Humanity president.

With about $20,000 to go, the fund-raising process continues. Wartburg's Habitat plans to donate as much as possible to the house along with community support from local churches, service clubs and businesses. Such community events have included a Phone-A-Thon, letters to community members requesting donations and penny drives at local schools. The Greater Black Hawk Habitat for Humanity also received grants for this project.

WANT TO HELP?

- Ziggy's Domino's Pizza will donate $2 to the Waverly/Wartburg Habitat for Humanity Build fund for every order April 1-3. Customers need to give the delivery drivers the flyer advertised in the *Waverly Shopper*.
- Donations can be sent to Waverly Build, Greater Black Hawk Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 1131, Waterloo, Iowa 50704.
- To get involved with construction, contact Ed VanHemert, volunteer coordinator, at 352-4469.

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'Peace fast' funds to help refugees

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In response to the United States' war with Iraq, a coalition of Wartburg campus organizations, including Students for Peace and Justice, Amnesty International and Campus Ministry, has organized a nightly fast. Participants fast between 5 p.m. and 5 a.m., symbolic of the nightly bombing of Iraq.

The coalition presented a proposal to the college, asking that all students participating in the fast be reimbursed for their evening meal in the cafeteria. The funds will be sent to Lutheran World Relief, which provides medicine and other supplies to Iraqi refugees.

President Jack Ohle, dean of students Dr. Lex Smith and vice president for business and finance Vern Truesdale met and approved a partial reimbursement of the evening meal. The college will give $2.25 per participant for the unused evening meals during the week of April 6-12.

Students on board must sign up before noon on Friday to give up their meal for the fast. Interested students can e-mail their name and social security number to nicole.schmidt, itonde.kakoma or ramona.bouzard. Sign-up sheets will also be outside the caf periodically this week.

Normally, food services doesn't allow partial fasts like this one.

"The policy that we follow is that two fasts are granted each year to students for charitable causes, one per term," said Don Juhl, director of food services. Up to $4.50 will be refunded per person for a regular fast.

"We do not always feel it is good policy to participate in the refund of college monies, although ... there are many, many worthy causes. And it's hard to distinguish one from another," Juhl said.

Senior Itonde Kakoma, one of the organizers of the fast, also encourages campus organizations to join the fast as a group effort.

"Student organizations have an opportunity to have a profound and constructive impact in the midst of war," Kakoma said. "For example, if the Wartburg Choir were approximately 80 people, assuming all are on a meal plan, and they participate for a week, they could generate about $1,200."

A $50 donation to Lutheran World Relief can feed a refugee family for a week. According to LWR's estimations, 7 million people in Iraq will need food aid after only a few weeks of war, and 1.5 million people could become refugees in neighboring countries.

"Conceptually, [the war] has been broadcast as a 'humanitarian

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

George W. Bush believes this war is necessary. He is in position to determine the role of this country in the world. As educated people, we here at Wartburg need to look at the points for this war that our president has made. It is easy to read the headlines or a few articles and be shocked by ideas you don't want to hear or by the realities of war, and then feel satisfied that this war is unjust.

There are many things about our government and our society that should shock us (i.e. USA PATRIOT ACT, GPS/laser guided missiles, POWs). But it is not OK to stop trying to understand. Anything that we are unaccustomed to can scare us. Hell, who wants to be accustomed to precision killing? I don't.

Well, it is humane to want peace and it is humane to conduct war. A greater part of our history proves the latter, unfortunately. And now we are conceding to follow the path of war again. How is this changeable?

Well, what powers can an individual have? Take John and Robert Kennedy, Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X, Mahatma Gandhi. By the way, four of them were assassinated. But they believed in what they thought was right. It is essential that we at Wartburg understand our abilities as educated people.

In response to a column last week regarding pride over our president: There is a difference between being a nationalist and being a patriot. Look it up and decide what you are.

Jeremy Ziemer '04

Convenient condoms for all

By STEVEN C. MURRAY
Columnist

I do not live in Clinton Hall. I have never lived in Clinton Hall. I never will live in Clinton Hall. Although seldom, I have visited Clinton Hall on occasion. Does Clinton Hall really need condom machines? Personally, if I lived there, I'd rather the place have a nice paint job, new furniture and some air conditioning.

I find the thought of a college of the church providing prophylactic dispensers in dormitories rather entertaining. Things could be worse, however. Wartburg could be a school of the Catholic Church. Yikes!

The entire concept leaves much room for discussion and also questions regarding the college's stance on the issue of sex, or more specifically, promoting sex. It is of importance to note that the Health and Wellness Center currently does provide condoms—free of charge—to students. However, because of the cost of machines and the product itself, it is most likely that there would be a charge of some sort for the contraceptives.

In my opinion, the college has a choice. Wartburg can either 1) tackle what apparently presents an awkward situation and promote safe sexual activity among residents of dormitories, 2) not support prophylactic machines simply because of the inherent taboo or 3) disregard the issue and tell kids to go to the Health and Wellness Center. As far as I'm concerned, if residents of Clinton Hall have no problem with engaging in sexual intercourse, but are too "shy" to visit Ms. Mingo, perhaps they should not be having sex in the first place. On the other hand, condom dispensers would not be incredibly intrusive and could prove to be very beneficial to students.

As with most all issues that come across Student Senate, the choice is not theirs. Their only involvement with the entire question is to take a stance with regard to the issue. Only the omnipotent (not to be confused with impotent) Board of Regents can make such a monumental decision.

Unless there will be a check box on housing forms asking students to indicate whether or not they are planning on being "sexually active" (next to casual/neat/messy housekeeper and smoking preference), I think it is important to be consistent and make these machines available to students residing in all dorms—not just Clinton Hall. Just as there are washing and drying machines available to students, there would be condom machines. Heck, strategically locate dispensers in the same vicinity as the laundry machines and Billy M. Freshman just needs to take an extra quarter while washing his "whitey-tighties" to safely enjoy his weekend.

My only request is that there does not become a struggle for the condom market on Wartburg's campus. Fathom this: Church & Dwight Co., Inc., the parent company of Trojan Brand Condoms, donates a brand new scoreboard to be used in Knights Gymnasium. In exchange for the new scoreboard, Wartburg has signed a deal making Trojan Brand the exclusive condom sold on Wartburg's campus. And the kicker? Randall Schroeder must now exclaim "He scores!" and then push a button that makes the scoreboard whinny like a horse each time a player sinks a three-pointer.

In all seriousness I truly hope that if the issue does come to the Board of Regents, a practical decision will be made.

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War: Is oil the real motive?

By ANDREW NORDSTROM
Guest Columnist

When I read Justin Kader's article this week, two conflicting emotions came to mind. First, I applaud the efforts of students on campus to engage in a war protest that is constructive by collecting money for relief organizations. Protesters who block traffic or vandalize property hurt their cause and their country. Reuters news service reports that the extra police presence needed to control these lawless mobs costs our country's local police forces a combined $900,000 per day. Thank you to Wartburg students who use their intelligence to protest instead of following a mindless street gang.

The other emotion I felt was confusion. Kader's opinions about oil and Iraqi casualties don't make sense when compared to the facts. Kader talks about lost Iraqi lives as if American armed forces are worse than the Hussein regime currently in place. During the first Gulf War, the *New York Times* reported losses of around 5,000 Iraqi civilians, a tragic loss for sure. However, the Times has also reported that Saddam Hussein's regime has killed over ONE MILLION civilians. Losing thousands of civilian and military lives during a war is terrible, but no one could disagree losing hundreds of thousands or millions is much worse.

Kader also implies that the Iraqi citizens fear an American takeover of oil fields, and therefore set fire to those fields themselves. It has been proven that Saddam's military forces set the fires as an impediment to coalition forces, just as they did in Kuwait in 1991. He states that the Bush administration's main reason for war is oil. There is no reason for the United States to take over Iraq's oil fields. First, the cost of restoring the fields to 1990 production levels would, by all estimates, be far too high and take far too long. Second, oil prices have reacted much more to political situations in Venezuela than those in Iraq. If oil was first on the mind of our president, the military would be on a march to Caracas, Venezuela, right now instead of Baghdad. Third, Iraq's oil fields account for such a small piece (3 percent) of world production that OPEC would easily be able to adjust production and/or prices to make up for any change in the status of Iraq's oil.

These reasons, along with many others, show the unlikelihood of an oil-driven war. Even the nation's First-Pacifist, former President Jimmy Carter, stated in his Nobel Peace Prize acceptance speech that oil isn't America's reason for war in Iraq. The biggest questions about oil as a motive should be directed at France, whose oil companies' contracts with Iraq will be lost when Hussein is removed.

When looking at the recent history of American military involvement (Persian Gulf I, Bosnia), is it really such a stretch to think that the United States might have some kind of humanitarian motive?

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Dissent vital to nation

By JUSTIN KADER
Columnist

I was walking down my floor the other day when I saw that somebody had posted a rather feisty response to my column from last week outside his door in pink highlighter. Mixed with pro-war rhetoric and saucy remarks, it kindly suggested that if I did not like what the Bush administration was doing, I should move to France.

Although the author of the message missed the point of my article, the bigger issue is his ignorance towards the concept of dissent. Dissent is patriotic.

I choose not to show my patriotism in a low-commitment, non-productive fashion such as hanging a flag from my house or sporting a bumper sticker that wills a deity to grant its blessing upon my particular country. I display my patriotism through my actions and through my speech.

My dissent does not make me a bad American—it makes me a productive and concerned citizen. Nelson Mandela was a dissenter. Gandhi was a dissenter. Martin Luther was a dissenter. Even Jesus was a dissenter. He spoke out against the Jewish laws and policies that he found to be oppressive, unnecessary and wrong. Active dissenters take a parallel approach, speaking out against the government and American laws and policies that they find to be oppressive, unnecessary and wrong.

The United States is the most powerful country in the world. However, with power comes responsibility. Unfortunately, the United States has not maintained this balance of power and responsibility. It has recklessly spent too much on national security, allowing domestic issues to go unattended. It has been negligent in allowing corporations to have too much influence in politics. Most importantly it has maintained an ignorant, disrespectful, inconsistent, imperialistic foreign policy.

Addressing ignorance, Socrates taught that one must "know thyself." Through self-evaluation and self-criticism, we can deepen our awareness of others and ourselves. Especially at a time of apathetic sentiment among high school and college students, we must question ourselves as a whole. Dissent is the manifestation of this self-analysis, keeping the government in check, which is the most important duty of an American citizen.

True, I don't pledge allegiance to a flag that symbolizes government concepts. Rather, I pledge allegiance to humanity, to the poor and oppressed, to my fellow Americans. Patriotism is not worshipping material objects portraying red, white and blue or the president's face. Patriotism is activism and dedication to truly bringing liberty and justice for all—legally, economically and socially.

So if there is one thing I'd like you to get out of this, it is that you should take the time to look at yourself, your life and the country you live in. Keep yourself and your country in check by asking questions and finding constructive criticism. And most importantly, speak out about your views, but respect those with opposing opinions.

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Readers' responses validate columns

By JESSE GAVIN
Columnist

Hello, ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to my final column of the school year.

In my first full year as a columnist, it's hard to say if I've really had any impact. Sure, I've inspired a few letters to the editor and I've gotten some e-mails that told me how stupid I am, etc. But that is really the ultimate question of our existence, isn't it? Doesn't each one of us struggle with that same concept? Have I made an impact on the world I live in? Is the earth different for my living in it?

I think that there are some people who have more of an impact on the world than others. Parents, for instance, have a great impact because they are responsible for bringing new life to the world. World leaders have a great amount of influence because their decisions affect hundreds of thousands of lives. The world is much different because they are here, and I don't think that there would be a lot of disagreement about that.

But what about me? I'm just a columnist at a college newspaper. What possible impact can I make on the world I live in? Sometimes it's tough to tell. There aren't many of us who have people coming up to us each day and saying "You've impacted my life." However, sometimes, and not very often, there are little things that make us realize just how significant we all are.

For me, many of these things have come my way in the past two weeks. I may joke with friends and colleagues about getting "hate mail" or making people mad, but getting angry e-mails and inspiring letters to the editor are the ways that I know I've made a difference. If nobody wrote these things, it would mean that nobody was so moved by my writings that they took time out of their lives to try to offset anything I've said.

So don't feel sorry for me. I know I've made a difference. If you don't believe me, just ask Ryan Catterton, Kelly Foley, Randy Schneider, Lindsey Smith, Kelly Dotson or Michael Burk, the new president of the Wartburg Alumni Board.

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'Censorship' of Al Jazeera unsettling

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Columnist

Why did the U.S. government become outraged at Al Jazeera Satellite Channel after it aired footage of POWs captured by Iraqi soldiers, while at the same time registered no concern for the frightening images aired by the channel of innocent Iraqi civilians killed by U.S. bombings?

Is it because the government considers American lives to be more sacred and valuable than those of Iraqis? Or is it that showing equally horrifying pictures only disturbs them when it is of an American?

What is ironic is that the British Broadcasting Company (BBC) aired those same images of the American POWs that same night, but no concern was voiced against BBC, which is carried by C-SPAN 1 every night. However, Al Jazeera is mainly broadcasted in the Middle East in Arabic.

In another incident, the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) revoked the credentials of two Al Jazeera correspondents covering the NYSE last Monday. The NYSE said that for "security reasons" they had to limit the number of reporters on the market floor but declined to give examples of other correspondents who had their credentials revoked.

In a different case, hours after the English version of Al Jazeera's Web site went live on the Internet, it was hacked by a group calling themselves the "Freedom Cyber Force Militia." They displayed an American map colored with an American flag and signed by a "patriot" saying: "Let Freedom Ring" and "God Bless Our Troops."

Finally, last week the United States-based Internet web hosting company DataPipe, a brand name of Hoboken Web Services, said it was ending its relationship with Al Jazeera and would no longer host its English site. Their reason was that they had come under "outside pressure" not to contract with the channel.

My question is why have all these "incidents" happened after the war has started? Is this a desperate American attempt to silence the Al Jazeera? Isn't this silencing a direct violation of First Amendment rights: the freedom of speech and press? Is the U.S. government trying to cover up the massacres of this war by restricting what the media can show us?

These are shameful acts on behalf of the United States. After all, isn't it the United States that has told the world they are going to liberate Iraq from its dictatorship government, install democracy in the country and give the people their freedom? Is this the kind of freedom awaiting the Iraqis; the freedom of press and speech as long as it satisfies American needs?

This unjust and immoral war is only aiming at stealing Iraqi wealth. In post-Saddam Iraq, 90 percent of the oil contracts have been granted to American and British companies, and the rest is left for the Iraqis to build their "free democratic government" with.

There are a lot of questions concerning the legitimacy of this war. I can't find one convincing answer to any of them. All I can find is irony, hypocrisy and lies.

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Second-hand smoke affects all

By MATT TOWNSLEY
Columnist

Second-hand smoke kills. Linn County is considering implementing a smoking ban in all restaurants, following Iowa City's lead. The Environmental Protection Agency Web site says second-hand smoke is a "known cause of lung cancer in humans." If this is indeed true, why should the general public have to suffer the consequences? Smokers may choose to harm their own bodies by inhaling the carcinogens, but I do not think the rest of us should have to do the same involuntarily at public venues. According to the EPA, "passive smoking is estimated to cause approximately 3,000 deaths per year." Many of these deaths could have probably been prevented.

I understand smoking is not a prohibited act, but neither is consuming alcohol. When drinking starts to affect the well-being of others through OWI laws, it becomes a problem. I propose smoking in a public restaurant does the same thing.

In addition to fatalities, studies show that "between 150,000 and 300,000 lower respiratory tract infections in infants and children under 18 months of age" are a result of exposure to second-hand smoke. These children could be at much less of a risk if a ban was in place everywhere prohibiting those silly flaming tobacco products.

The arguments I've seen seem relatively weak. First, business owners who oppose this legislation believe they will lose customers if such a rule is enacted. In my opinion, it may increase customer satisfaction! I often choose my restaurant for the evening based on the overall environment. If I know I am going to smell like a pack of cigarettes when I walk out, this deters me from even entering the premises. On the contrary, if all eating establishments were equal on the "good smell factor," I would be inclined to give each a fair chance. I cannot speak for the entire population, but my inclination is that I am not in the minority.

Second, many feel it is their right to smoke wherever they please. Yes, I agree it is, but not at the expense of others' well-being! As has already been pointed out, second-hand smoke does have negative effects on those who encounter it. By eating in a restaurant our health is at risk. Much legislation has been dedicated to ensure the welfare of the average citizen in the public sector and the ban being pursued in Linn County parallels just that.

Why do people continue to smoke despite the Surgeon General's warning? I have no clue. The bigger question is why should we all have to suffer from the effects of second-hand smoke when choosing to support the local economy through a night out on the town? I applaud the efforts of the cities in our state that have already taken the necessary action to forbid smoking in public places. Encouragement for further action in areas such as Linn County is vital to the future of not only our children, but also to the convenience of our present dining experiences.

Fletcher Knebel said, "Smoking is one of the leading causes of statistics." Let's work together to eliminate a few of those statistics.

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War talk invades classrooms

By CHRISSY BERLIN
Staff Writer

The recent global events have caused some professors to adapt their curriculum to discuss war in the classroom.

"Merely by having that title [of teacher], what I say can be seen as more important or having more weight than it really has," said Dr. Anne Drolet, professor of English. She said she does not hold back her opinion but does try to remind her students that she's speaking from an individual's perspective, not as a teacher.

Dr. Fred Strickert, professor of religion, agrees with Drolet. He assumes that his students know his views are anti-war, but he wants his classroom to be open for discussion.

"I want to create an atmosphere where students can feel comfortable raising questions and expressing their fears and concerns openly from every point of view," he said. "In this way I hope to model civil discourse that can carry over into dorm room discussions and to society at large."

Dr. Jeff Stein, assistant professor of communication arts, is also using current issues to aid in his lessons.

"I think it's important to integrate world events into the classroom," he said. Being a professor of communication arts, Stein feels that reporters need to be ready for anything, and covering the war provides that opportunity. In his classes he has talked about seeing live reporters filming the war as it is going on.

"It's going to break a barrier; we as journalists need to know how to handle it," Stein said. "It's not always scripted."

The Reporting for Print Media class of Dr. Lil Junas, associate professor of journalism, has been monitoring the role of reporters covering the war and the effect of media reportage on the public.

Stein's media marketing and management class also discusses how the war affects students and the media. He said television networks have lost hundreds of millions of dollars from lost ads due to war coverage.

Dr. Daniel Walther, associate professor of history, has had many discussions about the war in his classes. As a historian, he tries to stay away from current issues, but he does use the present to explain the past. He said the best way to teach is to get students to relate to the past, using whatever tools necessary.

In his Middle Eastern Cultures class, Walther changed his final project to pertain to the war. The assignment is to analyze an article to share with the class. The goal for this project is to help students understand multiple angles of the war.

Walther said his job as an educator is to provide opportunities to be challenged and help students get the facts straight. He said that the key to keeping the facts straight is context.

"Context really does matter; if you take something out of context you can't really understand," he said.

Walther, Stein, Strickert, Drolet and Junas are only a few of the professors talking about the war. Some of freshman Kadie Johnson's professors have also brought war discussion to the classroom.

"Some take it to the extreme and give their opinions, and it's not fair that way," Johnson said. "But others are open if you have questions about anything and help you through it."

Sophomore Misty Onken agrees that middle ground is best.

"I think they should give students an opportunity to talk about it, but not dwell on it," Onken said. "Some students are really sensitive about the whole thing."

Walther helped put the discussions in perspective.

"Be grateful we live in a nation where you have free time to go to college," he said.

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eVote used again for May Term Senate elections

By BECCA ANDERSEN
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Tuesday, Wartburg College students will elect part of the Student Senate members who will serve for the 2003-04 academic year. May Term Senate elections will be held via eVote from midnight to 7 p.m.

Students will be elected according to which residence building they will live in next year. Those students who are elected in May will continue to serve on Senate for the Fall and Winter terms of next year.

May Term Senate will also allow Student Body President-elect Cassy Dearborn and other elected and recently appointed executives to begin their terms of office. Dearborn appointed sophomore Emily Crawford as academic ombudsman and freshman Travis Olson as administrative ombudsman.

"May Term Senate is a smaller gathering of senators whose terms will begin at the start of May Term and carry through to the end of next Winter Term," said Jeremy Reichel, student body vice president-elect. "It is a chance to tie up any loose ends from regular Senate and also to take on any smaller tasks that arise."

According to Reichel, May Term Senate will likely meet once or twice to ratify the two appointed positions of ombudsman and deal with other issues that may arise.

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Astronaut to discuss Columbia disaster

By NATE KERL
Assistant Section Editor

A NASA astronaut involved in the Space Shuttle Columbia investigation will speak at Wartburg and in the surrounding communities this week.

Clayton Anderson

NASA astronaut Clayton Anderson will speak for the Wartburg convocation series at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in Neumann Auditorium.

Anderson plans to address the state of the U.S. space program, the recent shuttle crash and the investigation process currently in progress.

"As an astronaut his task has changed from just training to finding and identifying the debris—which you can imagine is very difficult for these future astronauts," said Dr. Todd Reiher, professor of psychology and close friend of Anderson. "Everyone realizes that such an accident can happen, but obviously no one wants it to happen."

Reiher and Anderson were roommates at Iowa State University as they both pursued graduate degrees. They have maintained a close relationship and participated in each other's weddings.

Reiher spoke of Anderson's history and his character.

"I remember back even when I first met him, he was intent on becoming an astronaut," Reiher said. "Even then he did internships in the summer with NASA. Moving up the ranks wasn't a quick process, but the wait and work has brought him to his current position."

Anderson is originally from Nebraska and grew up in a small town, did his undergraduate work at a small college in Hastings, Neb., and his graduate degree in aerospace engineering at ISU.

"He's an all-around good guy. He was a good student, three-sport athlete, plays piano and sings," Reiher said. "He's the kind of person you'd expect them to select to be an astronaut."

Anderson arrived last weekend and spent the weekend with Reiher's family. Anderson will also visit various sites throughout the community today. His schedule includes a visit to Waverly-Shell Rock Junior High School in the morning and a visit with a Wartburg astronomy class. He will speak to Waverly second- and fifth-grade classes in the afternoon and meet with Wartburg astrophysics students for a Tuesday luncheon.

Before returning to Houston, Anderson will speak at ISU and do some investigative work at Rockwell in Cedar Rapids involving the Global Positioning System used on the Space Shuttle Columbia while in Iowa.

Anderson graduated from ISU in 1983 and joined the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center in Houston the same year. While at Johnson Space Center, he held the positions of chief of flight design, lead for the Enhanced Caution and Warning System development effort and station capsule communicator. Most recently, Anderson completed training in the Extravehicular Activity Skills program in November 2002. He will continue to serve in technical assignments until he is assigned to a space flight.

The college's convocations are free and open to the community.

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FRIENDLY ARTWORK—Sophomore Julie Moeller, whose design above is seen in the first floor hallway of Founders, was one winner of the hall council mural contest.

Deployed servicemen withdraw without messy paperwork

By AMY SERFLATEN
Staff Writer

Beginning in late January, three students, sophomore Jeff Davis, junior Ben Kalkwarf and freshman Josh Strang, were forced to withdraw from classes because their National Guard units were called into active duty.

Wartburg policy will enable these students to re-enroll and complete a degree without having to go through the paperwork involved with withdrawing and re-enrollment. The military leave policy was started by Dr. Edie Waldstein, now vice president for enrollment, in the fall of 1990.

"A policy wasn't needed earlier because during the Vietnam era, any males enrolled in college were exempt from the draft at that time," Waldstein said. "In 1990, the political situation was such that we [the registrars] might have a large number of withdrawals."

"It is good to have these procedures in place," said Dr. Lex Smith, dean of students. "That means that we didn't have to ad-hoc one at the last minute."

Under this policy, activated students may return to Wartburg any time to re-enroll without suffering setbacks due to withdrawals. Also, those students have the option to take incompletes in classes they are enrolled in during the time of activation.

"It was just too early this semester for these students to take incompletes, so they withdrew," Smith said. "But normally we would try and leave an option for the students to work out something with the professor, so the student could finish his/her coursework before being activated."

Activated students have two years to finish incomplete coursework, whereas enrolled students usually have four weeks after the term to complete coursework to receive credit for the course.

Under normal school policy, a student has eight years to complete a degree in the plan in which they enrolled. The military policy allows activated students to complete their degree within a reasonable time.

"We will try and work with the three students, depending on how long the war lasts," Waldstein said. "We can't hold to regular policy for military personnel."

If students are forced to withdraw, they will be reimbursed the remainder of the room, board and tuition costs, but students must prove they were activated.

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Abroad students deal with foreign opinions

By RACHEL DVORAK
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Anti-American sentiments around the world have prompted the U.S. Department of State to issue a "worldwide caution" in a public announcement March 19 to "alert Americans to an increased potential for anti-American violence, including terrorist actions against U.S. citizens, as a result of the military action in Iraq."

The State Department also emphasized the potential for retaliatory actions against U.S. citizens throughout the world, warning that public demonstrations in other countries could pose a risk for American citizens.

Several Wartburg students are currently studying abroad in Europe and Africa. Junior Nicole Bleckwehl is studying in Spain.

"A couple weeks ago I went to Madrid and accidentally stepped into a huge rally against the war," Bleckwehl said. "Everything you see on TV is exactly what I was in the middle of. Basically the whole city shut down for the entire night. I didn't feel uncomfortable … it wasn't violent or anything, just a lot of people speaking out for what they believe in."

Kim Folkers, co-director of Global and Multicultural Studies, said all Wartburg students studying overseas plan to complete their programs at their sites.

"We, along with the program providers we work with, are monitoring the global political situation on a daily basis," Folkers said. "We e-mail students regularly and forward to them any State Department information that is issued. All students have 24/7 contact information for GMCS staff and other key Wartburg personnel, should they need to reach us in an emergency."

Bleckwehl said it's hard to stand up for the United States when everyone says how bad President Bush is.

"I'm not saying I'm for or against the war, because I really don't know much about it between the Spanish news and not hearing any news from the U.S.," she said. "It's hard to even have an opinion. But I did stop talking to my host family about it. They are really against the war."

STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD
Nicole Bleckwehl, *Spain*
Allie Ergang, *Spain*
Lara Geiger-Simpson, *Switzerland*
Dana Isaacson, *Tanzania*
Carrie Kress, *Austria*
Mollie Leahy, *Germany*
Armin Muhamedagic, *Austria*
Beth Staniforth, *Ireland*
Stefanie Tomalka, *Spain*
Ann Willhoite, *Czech Republic*

Senior Ann Willhoite, who is studying in Prague, Czech Republic, said the Czechs are against the war.

"I have been to protests and will be speaking at a peace group's meeting in two weeks," she said.

Senior Allie Ergang, studying in Granada, Spain, said she thinks the news coverage there is different from that in the United States, and she feels better informed. She said the majority of Spanish people are opposed to the American government's actions.

"Personally I am opposed to the actions taken by our government, and I still believe that I would hold this opinion if I was in the U.S.," Ergang said. "I don't think the war will affect my traveling within the European Union (hopefully) because most people realize that the American people can hold differing opinions from the actions of their government, just as many Spanish people are opposed to the actions of Aznar."

"They are very verbal about the fact that they do not support the U.S. or the war," added junior Stefanie Tomalka, also studying in Spain. "I feel like I have to defend myself a lot here because the culture here is very much against the war and against Bush.

"There are tons of protests every day," she said. "They are very tranquil, but it is still not very wise for an American to be involved."

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No condoms for Clinton

By CHELSEA KROHE
Staff Writer

The condom resolution put before Student Senate Thursday by the Clinton hall council failed 17 to 15, with four abstentions.

The resolution originated as part of the hall council's plan to provide health information in the bathrooms of the Clinton residence hall. The hall council proposed providing condoms in a discreet manner to encourage students to make responsible decisions.

A policy made by the Board of Regents prevents the distribution of condoms by anyone other than the Health and Wellness Center or educational programs sponsored by the center. Although the board would have made the final decision, the hall council asked for the support of the Senate in providing a persuasive case.

Senate discussed the proposal in its meeting Thursday, March 20. Senate members debated the issue and accepted a move to postpone the discussion until senators had time to get responses from their constituents. This Thursday, after a move was accepted to limit the resolution discussion to 15 minutes, the senators debated the resolution a second time, showing varying degrees of support and opposition.

Amid reminders to focus on the policy in question and not personal issues of right or wrong, lively discussion took place, bringing comments from a majority of the senators. Junior Jeremy Reichel acknowledged that the information provided by the Health and Wellness Center in its sex education packets containing condoms is important.

"I don't deny that sex education is very important," he said. However, "the hours of the Health Center are not concurrent with the social needs of the student."

Another senator agreed, pointing out that sexual encounters are not always planned. The personal values of students were also debated. A senator told of one constituent who said that the only reason she was at Wartburg was because of the college's religious foundation.

Freshman Becky Townsley added that Senate should "keep in mind the values of all students."

With another reminder to put aside family values and focus on the wants and needs of the represented student body, the Senate voted by ballot.

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WANT CONDOMS?—Free condoms are provided on campus, just not in the dorms. This sign is posted in Clinton Hall.

Student Senate President Tara Penna expressed surprise that the vote was so close but said that all senators talked to their constituents. Penna expressed certainty that the will of the constituents was well represented in the decision.

"The resolution is finished at this point," Penna said. "I wouldn't recommend a new one, with the group fairly divided."

She added that another resolution would have to have major revisions. For now, Resolution 27, the condom resolution, is dead, and condoms will not be provided to Wartburg students by any organization other than the Health and Wellness Center.

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Fasting to express humanitarianism

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effort' to liberate an oppressed people. But it's displacing the people it's trying to liberate," Kakoma said.

"Amnesty doesn't take a position on the war, but [the fast] is a great idea from a humanitarian point of view. It shows that the effects of war sit uneasy with us and we are not complacent about it," said junior Amanda Truchinski, co-leader of Amnesty International.

"Some people say, 'What's that gonna do? I'll just be hungry.' I just hope it makes us feel connected to those in Iraq. They are just like us," she said.

Kakoma believes that many people on campus have preconceived notions about the peace efforts.

"If someone isn't pro-war, their efforts are perceived to be anti-war," he said. "What we're doing isn't necessarily associated with either. It's a humanitarian effort. It's about being sensitive human beings. It recognizes the tragedies, no matter your inclination towards war. You can still be sympathetic."

Senior social work major Kelly Jude is participating in the fast to get involved in the war relief effort and to make others aware of the situation.

"Especially since we're a college, we need to act out more. We're supposed to be the educated population," she said. "What are we doing with it?"

The Wartburg coalition's relief effort gained major media attention almost immediately. The *Waterloo/Cedar Falls Courier*, KWWL, KGAN and the Associated Press in Chicago have contacted coalition members for interviews. Kakoma has also heard of colleges in Iowa and in other states beginning similar fasts and following the example set here at Wartburg.

Fasts for war relief efforts are not new to Wartburg. Dr. Edie Waldstein, vice president for enrollment management, was a student at Wartburg during the Vietnam War.

Students at that time also had the opportunity to give up evening meals to benefit those affected by the war.

"Most of the regular food was gone, and they fed us rice and water. The savings went to relief efforts for the war," Waldstein said.

Even after the official fast is over next week, the nightly candlelight vigils at 9:30 will continue until a cease-fire of the war is called.

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Walk-a-thon to rid bigotry, bias, racism

By MOLLY RICHARDS
Staff Writer

Hundreds of participants of Walk As One will stroll the streets of Waterloo Saturday to raise money to support The National Conference for Community and Justice's programming that works to eliminate bias, bigotry and racism.

Walk As One grows every year. It is a national fund raiser that annually raises millions of dollars to promote diversity programming. Individual walkers and teams from churches, companies and schools will unite to "walk as one" to promote NCCJ's message that the nation's intergroup relations must improve to make America a better place.

Through donations and sponsorships, NCCJ sends children and teens to youth and community leadership programs that support its goals.

Senior Jessica Hiemer, a key participant and organizer of the event, is the NCCJ volunteer assistant walk coordinator for the Cedar Valley. She has been helping with walk logistics, team building and other office jobs since her mother, Shelly Hiemer, became the walk coordinator for the Iowa region in 2000.

Jessica Hiemer chooses to volunteer her time because she is a firm believer in promoting understanding and respect through advocacy, conflict resolution and education. Others from Wartburg who are directly connected to Walk As One are Stephanie Newsom from the Pathways Center, Karris Golden, lecturer in communication arts, and President Jack Ohle. Ohle is the education chair for the walk-a-thon, and Newsom is the campus contact and chair of the planning committee that brainstorms how to get students and faculty at Wartburg involved in the event. Golden and Newsom will be walking in the event, but Ohle will not, as he will be out of town.

Hiemer feels it is especially important to implement NCCJ's programs at Wartburg.

"Being a well-rounded and educated person means exposure to new people, cultures, lifestyles and ideas and working to create a just and inclusive environment," she said. "The walk-a-thon is the first step in bringing further programs from the NCCJ to the Cedar Valley."

NCCJ Walk As One is a great way to celebrate the culture and diversity of the Cedar Valley and Wartburg's campus, Hiemer added.

For these reasons Hiemer encourages Wartburg students to participate in the walk-a-thon. There are posters up around campus, and fund-raising maps will soon be on sale.

Volunteers are still needed in the areas of entertainment and displays for the day of the walk. For more information on Walk As One, visit www.nccj.org or contact Newsom at stephanie.newsom@wartburg.edu or Hiemer at jessica.hiemer@wartburg.edu. Registration forms are available from either of them.

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Learning doesn't stop at retirement

By KACY BURG
Senior Writer

Every Thursday for the past four weeks, a crowd of retired men and women have gathered in the hallway outside of Luther Hall 330 at 9 a.m. for coffee, muffins and pre-class conversation.

This group has been the first to participate in Wartburg's Keep on Learning program, a new series of four-week educational experiences for the residents of the Cedar Valley area.

Last Thursday the first of the program's courses, titled "Americans and the Environment" taught by Dr. Richard Schneider, professor of English, met for its final session. This Thursday a new course, titled "Memories of Broadcasting" taught by Dr. Jeff Stein, assistant professor of communication arts, will begin. The courses are Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Luther Hall 330. The first class meeting is free, and there is a $30 fee to take the remaining three classes.

Schneider said that the courses are designed to be thought-provoking, but not strenuous or time-consuming.

"These are relatively painless courses," he said. "There are no tests and not much homework, but they're about interesting topics that encourage people to think."

Carol Bye, assistant director of alumni/parent relations and member of the Keep on Learning committee, said that the idea for this program grew out of the desire of several community members to create educational opportunities similar to those offered by the nationwide Elderhostel program.

"It started with the Rathes [Dr. James and Evelyn] coming to talk to Dave Ostrander [vice president for institutional advancement], who had experience with this type of thing from previous institutions," Bye said.

A committee was formed to organize the program and solicit course proposals from current and retired faculty and staff, as well as community members. Bye said that after the proposals were received, the Keep on Learning committee reviewed them and selected three courses to begin the program this spring.

She said that although the program was designed with retired people in mind, it is open to anyone.

"I'd like to see young stay-at-home mothers and fathers or people who work the late shift come, too," Bye said.

Schneider said that attendance was relatively high during his course.

"The turnout has been pretty good," he said. "The first day 50 or 60 came. There have been about 30 to 40 people at the sessions since then."

Schneider said that the students were excited to learn and willing to share their thoughts and experiences.

"They seem to be an enthusiastic audience, people who bring a lot of life experience to the topic," he said. "We get a lot of variety of points of view."

Many students said that they joined the class because they wanted to learn more and that they have enjoyed the opportunity to do so while meeting new people.

Al Disrud, retired vice president of advancement, said that he joined the class because he found the topic interesting.

"I've enjoyed continuing education all my life. This is an extension of that. Plus, I'm very interested in conservation," he said. "I've found the class to be very enjoyable and enlightening."

Margaret Phelps, a community member in the class, said that this was a nice alternative to going on an Elderhostel that might take them far away from home.

"This is a nice substitute, and it's right here in Waverly," she said. "It's been fun, and you get to meet new people and see old friends."

"Expressions in Music, Architecture and Theatre" will start in May and will be at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Waverly because the Luther Hall classrooms will be filled with May Term classes. The May course will be the last in the program before it breaks for the summer. Dr. Maynard Anderson, professor emeritus of music, will be the instructor.

Bye said that the Keep on Learning committee will receive proposals for next year's courses in May and will decide this summer which courses will be part of next year's program. The courses will start again in September.

"We've been very pleased with the response," Bye said. "We enjoy having these people on campus."

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KEEP ON LEARNING—Students met for their final session of "Americans and the Environment," taught Thursday by Dr. Richard Schneider, professor of English.

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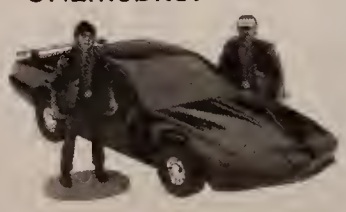

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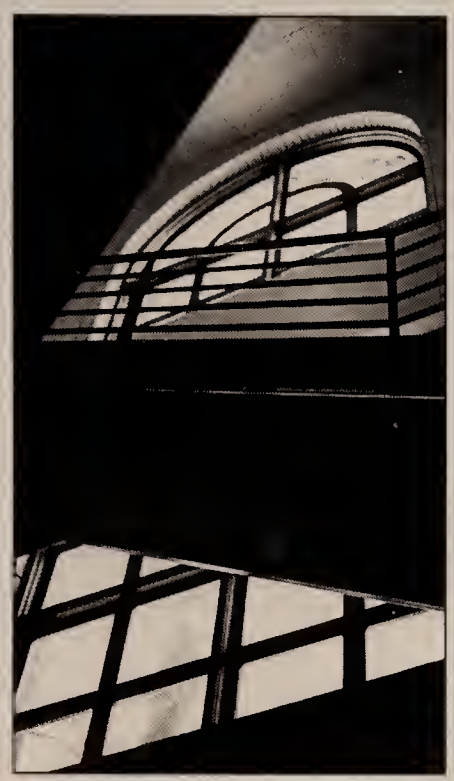
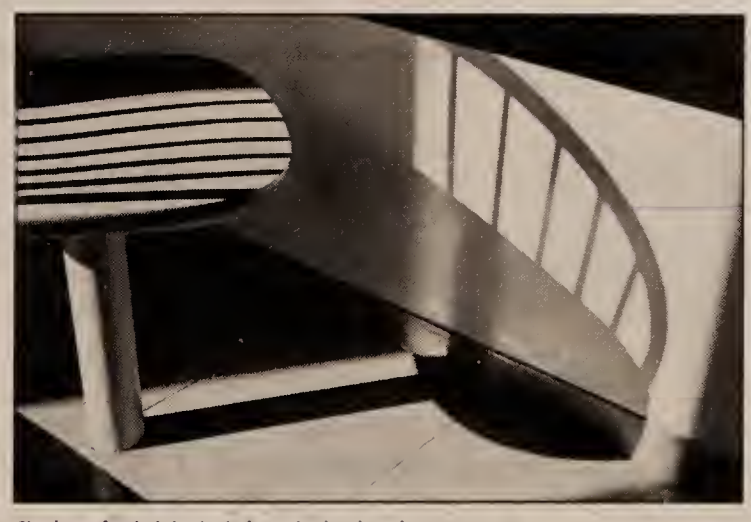


An upward view of the Fine Arts Center lobby stairs.



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Knights roll to 10 in a row

Squad wins all three games in weekend tournament, looks to IIAC play

By COREY ARNDT
Sports Writer

Two words that do not appear in the Wartburg softball team's vocabulary are "give up." The Knights have overcome much adversity so far this season and are ready to move forward and into the Iowa Conference regular season play.

"We've decided to put everything behind us and we are excited to get conference play underway," freshman catcher Renae Vomacka said. "We are adjusting very well and everything is working well."

The Wartburg softball team is heading into conference play this week with a 10-game winning streak after an unbeaten weekend at the Washington University Midwest Preseason Invitational in St. Louis.

The Knights (18-4) defeated MacMurray College 8-2 in game one Saturday to begin their tournament action and never looked back. They went on to defeat St. Mary's University (Minn.) Saturday, 9-3 and Blackburn College Sunday, 9-1.

Junior outfielder Carrie Clement ended the MacMurray win with two hits. Junior second baseman Betsy Girsch led her teammates during first-day action with five hits in seven at-bats. Vomacka and senior third baseman Emily Mangin plagued St. Mary's pitchers in game two combining for five RBIs. Mangin provided her hitting expertise with a home run and three RBIs, while Vomacka finished 4-for-4 with three doubles and two RBIs.

The Knights tormented the Blackburn College pitchers with three home runs—one each from Vomacka, senior infielder Kathy Voss, and freshman outfielder Debra Schindler.

Matt Nelson/TRUMPET

COMING TOGETHER—Members of the Wartburg softball team huddle together between innings of a game during their trip to Tuscon, Ariz., March 3-7. The Knights have won their last 10 games and begin Iowa Conference play Thursday against Simpson College in Waverly.

"We were able to have a lot of hits this weekend," Vomacka said. "We are hitting the ball well and we're working well with each pitcher we face."

Vomacka worked extremely well with the pitchers she faced this weekend. She finished a perfect 6-for-6 in the hits category with one homer and five RBIs. She was named to the all-tournament team after playing in just two games.

The Knights will start a three-game home stand Thursday when they play host to perennial Iowa Conference powerhouse Simpson College. The Storm brings a 19-1 record to Waverly, hoping to add to its five-game winning streak.

The Knights are ready to prove to the Storm and the rest of the conference how ready they are to win.

"We just want to play ball and win," senior outfielder Karla Flynn said. "We knew it was important to come together and that teams would wonder how we'd play through this adversity."

Game time is set for 3 p.m. Thursday against the Storm at Lyons Field. Saturday, last season's conference champion Coe College will visit Waverly for a 2 p.m. game. The Knights end their home stand Sunday by playing host to Loras College at 3 p.m.

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LAY IT DOWN—Wartburg junior infield Alicia Cox lays down a slap hit in a game during the Knights' winter trip to Arizona earlier this month.

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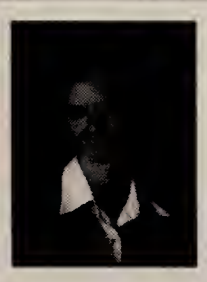

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By JOSHUA SMOTHERS
Sports Editor

Whether its wearing three pairs of socks out of superstition, applying his baseball wisdom from his head coaching position at Turkey Valley High School, or using his mother's death to breast cancer as inspiration, Wartburg College pitching ace Patrick Smith has a unique equation to his success.

With a 5-1 pitching record in the midst of Wartburg's 2003 baseball season, the senior has already broken the school's all-time strikeout record. Yesterday, Smith eclipsed Jim Borcherding's all-time mark of 200 set in 1962 with five strikeouts in a 14-1 win over St. Mary's (Minn.). The right-hander now has 201 career strikeouts and hopes to do more than replicate his past two seasons.

Smith's past two seasons have included identical 8-3 records, a total of 129 strikeouts, an average ERA of 4.18, two all-conferences honors and a pair of prestigious conference titles. The native of Lawler has become one the most dominant pitchers in the Iowa Conference and hopes to lead his team to its seventh IIAC title in as many years.

"This team definitely has the talent and maturity to win another conference title," said Smith, a business administration major who will be working at Wells Fargo in Cedar Falls after graduation. "Every year is a new goal and our first goal is always to come together as a team. We've done that, our coaches are teaching us the right things, and things are looking great this early in the season."

"Patrick is pitching as well now as he has in the four years he's been here," head coach Joel Holst said. "He has shown great consistency to date and needs to continue to do so as we head into conference play."

Smith says there is no reason for the layers of socks—it's just something he does. Coaching the past two summers at Turkey Valley has provided Smith with leadership mentality, not to mention a full-time job that required him to spend his days at the ballpark.

However, Smith credits his passion for the game and his steady demeanor to his late mother. Smith's mother, Pat, died after a three-and-a-half-year battle with breast cancer during Patrick's sophomore year of high school, and has been a source of motivation ever since.

"No matter how far we play from Wartburg College, I know that part of my family will be there because she is always watching," Smith said. "She has been a great influence in my life that will always be with me."

The leadership, motivation and energy Smith rubs off on his teammates is obviously doing the trick.

A stellar pitching staff that includes Smith and fellow senior Chris Goerdt of Dyersville leads the Knights (16-4-1). Smith attributes much of the team's success to its family-like atmosphere.

"The teammates I have had in my four years are truly like brothers to me," Smith said. "I was brought into this successful program like a little brother. As a senior I get to act like an older brother and watch out for some of these underclassmen."

And as the brotherly love ambience fills the dugouts at Hertel Field in Wavery, Smith continues to leave his mark in the Wartburg record books.

Already attaining one school record, he is now only two wins away from another. His 25 career wins ranks second on the Knights' all-time list behind Dan Grawe's 27 wins from 1997-99.

Smith has also placed himself into the top-10 in numerous other categories. His 68 strikeouts in 2002 placed him third on the individual season strikeout list. A 3.70 career ERA ranks seventh, as does his .758 career winning percentage.

"The records have never really crossed my mind," Smith said. "All I know is that I've enjoyed every minute of my four years here. It seems like I was brought in here yesterday and now I'm a senior looking to guide this team to new heights."

Smith describes his decision to attend Wartburg to play for Holst as a perfect fit. He says he has received a great education and has had a blast with his job in Wartburg's admissions office, working with prospective students.

"The past four years have allowed me to tell fairy tales—on and off the field," Smith said. "Plus, before every game, I know that no matter how good or bad I pitch, my mother would be proud of me."

And with a résumé full of credentials and achievemnts like his, how could Pat Smith not be proud of her son?

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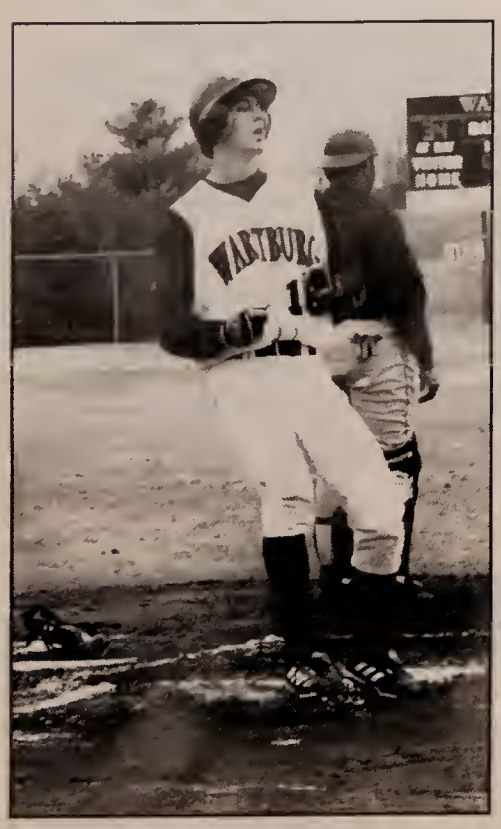
"K"-ING THE COMPETITION—Wartburg senior pitcher Patrick Smith delivers a pitch during last season's Iowa Conference Tournament in Waterloo. The right-hander became Wartburg's all-time strikeout leader Sunday with five strikeouts in a 14-1 victory over St. Mary's (Minn.). Smith now has 201 career strikeouts.

Non-conference foes fall short



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PUT ONE ON THE BOARD—Wartburg sophomore Joel Reynolds scores in the first inning of Wednesday's game against Clarke College. The Knights won 13-7.

By LANCE RIDPATH
Sports Writer

Rounding out an impressive home stand with a pair of non-conference victories Sunday, the No. 26-ranked Wartburg baseball squad improved to 16-4-1 by knocking off the University of Wisconsin-Stout 20-12 in a slugfest. The team then beat St. Mary's (Minn.) 14-1 in a make-up game from Saturday.

The game against St. Mary's saw the Wartburg pitching staff methodically pick apart the Cardinal line-up. Senior starter Patrick Smith silenced his opponents, giving up just one run in six innings of work and striking out five batters. The right-hander's five strikeouts gave him 201 for his career, thus breaking Wartburg's previous record of 200 set in 1962 by Jim Borcherding.

Senior designated hitter Greg Torgerson led the Knights at the plate going 2-for-3 with three runs batted in and a solo home run in the bottom of the sixth inning.

Earlier in the afternoon, Wartburg overcame an early deficit by teeing off on the UW-Stout pitching staff and putting up 20 runs on the scoreboard. Senior outfielder T.J. Stoffer's grand slam in the bottom of the third helped the Knights climb out of an early 5-3 whole, and the team never looked back.

The game saw a combined 42 hits, 26 of those coming from the Wartburg side. Torgerson again had a great game, going 4-for-5 at the plate with two dingers. Senior left fielder Ryan Mix also contributed to the scoring barrage. He went 4-for-5 in the leadoff spot with two RBIs and two runs scored. Despite the rocky start, senior pitcher Chris Goerdt picked up his fifth win of the season.

Wednesday, the Knights played host to Clarke College. Wartburg was helped by seven Clarke errors in the early going to help them put up seven runs in the first inning and three runs apiece in the second and third. Sophomore third baseman Joel Reynolds keyed the offensive outburst, going 3-for-5 at the plate with three RBIs and three runs scored.

Smith gave up just one earned run and struck out six batters in six innings of work. A grand slam by Clarke in the sixth inning cut into the Wartburg lead, but it wasn't enough as the Knights held on to win 13-7.

Tuesday, Wartburg squared off in a double-header against Mount St. Claire. In the first game, Goerdt completely shut down the visiting Mounties, allowing only one run and striking out four in a complete game effort. Junior second baseman Casey Toops had an impressive game, hitting 1-for-2 with two walks, three RBIs and a run scored in the 9-1 triumph.

However, the second game saw the Knight's bats fall asleep as Wartburg dropped an uncharacteristic home game 3-2. Freshman starter Ryan Moorman pitched a gem—striking out six and surrendering just two runs in six innings on the mound—but couldn't get enough run support from his teammates to pick up the win. Senior shortstop Jay Whannel went 2-for-3 with an RBI. The Knights mustered just one other hit—an infield single by senior right fielder Kevin Huston in the seventh inning.

The team will try to use this week's success as a launching pad into Iowa Conference regular season play, which begins this week. The Knights host a doubleheader with Upper Iowa University Thursday and a doubleheader with Buena Vista University Saturday. Wartburg finished in a three-way tie with the Peacocks (6-7-1) and the Beavers (3-9) for the IIAC title last spring. The first pitch for each pair of contests is set for 1 p.m. at Hertel Field.

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Wrestlers honored for success

Iowa legislators recognized the Wartburg College NCAA Division III National Championship wrestling team today at 1 p.m. in the Iowa House chambers at the State Capitol in Des Moines. The wrestlers visited patients at Blank Children's Hospital in Des Moines at 10:30 a.m.

State Representatives Ro Foege (D-Mount Vernon) and Bill Dix (R-Shell Rock) presented the team and coaches at 1 p.m. in the House Chambers at the Capitol Building. Foege, a 1960 Wartburg graduate, introduced House Resolution 48, recognizing the Knights' remarkable 2003 season.

The resolution congratulates the Wartburg wrestling team for a season that ended with the 2003 national Division III championship. Visitors may watch from the House gallery. The resolution is posted at http://www2.legis.state.ia.us/GA/80GA/Legislation/HR/00000/HR00048/Current.html

After winning an 11th consecutive Iowa Conference title, the Knights shattered several records en route to their third national wrestling championship in the past seven years. All 10 wrestlers qualified for the national meet, then went on to win the Division III championship at Ohio Northern University March 7-8.

Wartburg's 166.5 points toppled the previous national meet record of 146 set in 1976. The Knights also set a new record for margin of victory, finishing 82 points ahead of three-time defending champion Augsburg College. All 10 wrestlers achieved All-American status, another national record, and three seniors won individual titles: Heath Ropp at 125, Wil Kelly at 141 and LeRoy Gardner III at heavyweight. Wartburg also tied the meet record for number of wrestlers in the finals with six.

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CHAMPIONS—The Wartburg wrestling team poses with its NCAA Division III national championship trophy in Ada, Ohio, March 8. The team was recognized today at 1 p.m. at the State Capitol in Des Moines.

Season starts slow

By NICK PETAROS
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Not only did the Wartburg golf team have to battle tough competition this weekend in Pella in the Central Dutch Classic, but they also had to play through Mother Nature's rigorous weather.

Off to a slow start, the Knights shot 504 placing seventh out of the 11 teams in the weather-shortened 27-hole tournament.

The combination of cold, windy weather with scattered snow flurries forced play to be called after nine holes Friday. Saturday's play resumed under similar conditions, however the usual 18 holes were contested.

"It was a pretty disappointing and rough weekend for us," said junior Andy Schmitz.

Wartburg finished two strokes behind sixth-place Buena Vista University and 27 shots back of first place Central College.

Leading the way for the Knights, junior Dan Schmitz and freshman Kevin Ault posted identical 27-hole scores of 125, tying for 20th overall. Junior Shaun Guyer turned in a 127, while sophomore Alan Johnson and Andy Schmitz shot 128 and 129, respectively.

The Knights will begin a full weekend of golf Thursday when they play in the Monmouth Fighting Scots Invitational in Galesburg, Ill. They will then travel to the Quad Cities for the Augustana Invite Friday. The team will compete Saturday at the William Penn Invitational in Oskaloosa to conclude a weekend road trip.

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NACDA Cup standings

Wartburg College eclipsed the school's and Iowa Conference's highest point total ever in the final set of winter NACDA Cup standings this week. Wartburg totaled 496.25 points, good for fifth in Division III and is the only public or private four-year institution in the state listed in the top 30 of any division.

The final set of winter standings is based on men's and women's basketball, fencing, skiing, men's and women's swimming, men's and women's indoor track and wrestling national finishes, combined with fall point totals. The Directors' Cup was developed as a joint effort between NACDA and USA Today. Points are based on each institution's national championship finish in up to 18 sports—nine women's and nine men's. Each national champion receives 100 points. Six-time champion Williams College (Mass.) leads the Division III list with 873.25 points.

Wartburg is in range to garner its highest finish in school history and third straight top 15 mark in 2002-03. During 2000-01, the Knights' athletic programs turned in the highest NACDA Director's Cup finish and point total in college or Iowa Conference history, ending the NACDA Cup season in 10th with 473 points. Wartburg placed 15th in 2001-02 with 432.5 points.

Tennis falls again to Storm

Wartburg managed a split of six singles matches but dropped two of three doubles decisions in a 4-3 loss to Simpson College Tuesday at the college's outdoor tennis courts in Waverly. The loss dropped the Knights to 4-5 on the season.

Simpson's one-point decision marked their fourth consecutive win over Wartburg by a similar margin.

The sophomore trio of Mark Giesmann, Vedran Solaja and Matt Connell won No. 3, 4 and 6 singles in tiebreakers. Giesmann and doubles partner Nick Schauf claimed an 8-4 win at No. 1 doubles.

Wartburg returns to conference dual play Wednesday afternoon at Loras College. Saturday the Knights travel to Decorah for double-dual against Luther College and UW-La Crosse.

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Cold outdoor opener

RISING TO THE TOP—Wartburg freshman Josh Jandrew floats through the air during the triple jump Saturday at the Wartburg Open in Walston-Hoover Stadium. Jandrew took first-place honors in the event as well as the 110-meter high hurdles.

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By JANNAE HOLUBAR
Sports Writer

The first outdoor meet of the season for Wartburg's track and field squads was nothing short of successful. The Wartburg Open held in Walston-Hoover Stadium also saw two school and six meet records set by the Knights, despite cold weather.

Many of the records were posted in the field events. Senior Jason Huegel provisionally qualified and set meet and school records en route to winning both the javelin (59.95 meters) and discus (49.34 meters). Senior Megan Pagel kept rolling after an All-American performance at indoor nationals as she won the hammer throw (46.40 meters), discus (40.17 meters) and shot put (12.30 meters). Pagel's throw was provisional in the hammer and also set meet and school records in the same event, while adding a meet record in the shot put.

Junior Lindsey Smith battled with Pagel in the hammer as she finished second and also added another provisionally qualifying mark for the Knights with a throw of 45.45 meters. The final provisional qualifying mark came from Jannae Holubar in the 3000-meter steeplechase. The sophomore took first in the event in 11:27.40.

Meet records were also set by the women's 4x400-meter relay team, junior Holly Dorenkamp in the 400 hurdles and freshman Ashley Williams in the 400. In addition to her 400 title, Williams also claimed top honors in the 200 and was part of the winning 4x100-relay team.

Senior C.J. Yerington set a new Walston-Hoover Stadium mark in the hammer with a toss of 46.05 meters.

"Today was a great meet for us," head coach Marcus Newsom said. "I preached all week long that this meet will set the precedent for the remainder of the outdoor season and everyone went out and set the precedent high. We had fabulous performances in the throws and we dominated the entire meet."

Though no team scores were officially kept, both the men's and women's squads would have easily earned top team honors. The women placed first in 16 of the 19 total events.

The Knights competed against only Martin Luther (Minn.) and William Penn. Eight other teams canceled because of predicted inclement weather.

"All of the other teams decided not to come compete today," Newsom said. "That's okay with us because we now have a meet under us and we're one step ahead in confidence and performance than all those other teams."

"Even though the weather was really crappy today, everybody went out there and did their best,"said sophomore Kelli Marlow, who placed first in the long jump. "Everyone competed really well and we got a great start to our outdoor season."

Other women earning first-place honors during the cold day were junior Jenny Goodall in the 100, sophomore standout Missy Buttry in the 800, junior Liz Ericson in the 1,500, senior Tara Bruck in the 5,000, sophomore Annie Olson in the triple jump, junior Dia Dohlman in the javelin, as well every relay event.

Additional men earning first-place honors included freshman Josh Hauser in the 200, sophomore Sean Hart in the 800, sophomore Noah Wendland in the 1,500, freshman Josh Jandrew in the 110 hurdles and triple jump, junior Wes Terrill in the 400 hurdles, sophmore Andrew Drysdale in the 3,000 steeplechase, freshman Phil Barnett in the shot put, and the 4x400 team.

The majority of the Knights will be competing at Augustana in Rock Island, Ill., Saturday. A few women will be traveling to the Texas Relays, which are held at the University of Texas in Austin.

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Above: Wartburg freshman Ashley Williams hands the baton off to sophomore Jannae Holubar in the women's 4x400 race Saturday at the Wartburg Open. Three different Wartburg teams competed in the race, placing first through third.

Left: Head track and field coach Marcus Newsom encourages junior Holly Dorenkamp during the final leg of the 4x400.